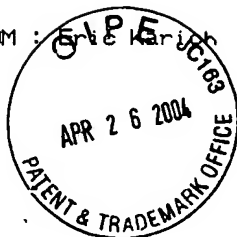


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Small Entity Petition Fee of \$210 is enclosed.

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Sir:

In the above application, applicant respectfully petitions that the period for response to the outstanding Office Action indicated above be extended as indicated above. A response to such Office Action and the above Petition Fee (Small Entity) are enclosed herewith.

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